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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Final Office Action (Paper No. 19) mailed May 10, 1999. Claims 1, 3, and 4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Heinke et al. (German Patent 3,203,410). Reconsideration and reexamination is requested.